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Campbell-Edwards House 406 Diamond Street Baltimore City Baltimore County Maryland

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Location:

406 Diamond Street, Baltimore (City), Maryland

USGS Baltimore East, Maryland Quadrangle Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:

18.359/990.4350/490

Significance:

The Campbell-Edwards House is one of a dwindling number of mid-nineteenth century working class rowhouses in the Market Center area of Baltimore City which illustrate the effect of the 1822 Poppleton plan of Baltimore on architecture and demography.

Description:

Located on the west side of Diamond Street in west central Baltimore. Two-story, two-bay brick house with gable roof and single dormer. Interior chimney at party wall on south. Standing seam metal roof. One-story rear addition. Six-over-six double hung sash in second story; other windows are replacements. Flat arches and wood sills. Interior walls plaster over lath; staircase in lateral hall between front section and one-story rear section.

History:

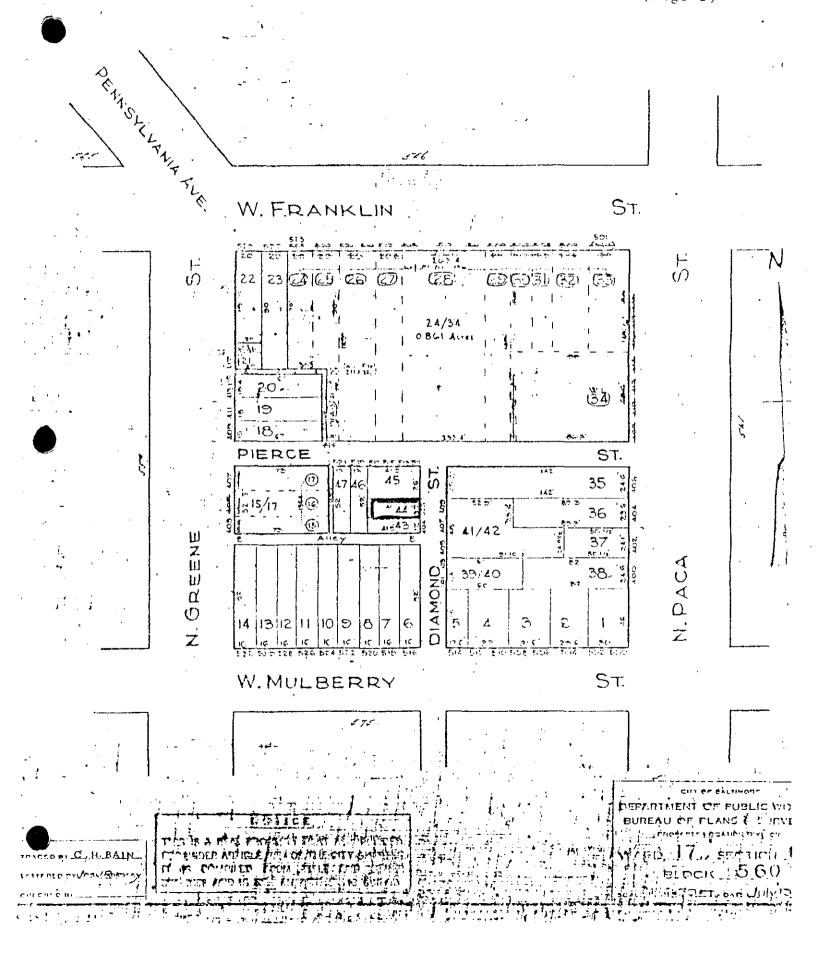
Built as investment housing about 1847-48. Because of Poppleton plan's hierarchical grid, Diamond Street (originally Market Lane) became home of working class and poor blacks. Original occupant was Isabella Campbell, a laundress, who lived there 1847-1859. At time of housing shortage, house was occupied by multiple tenants. Joseph Edwards, a waiter, lived there 1872-1890. Simple architectural style was typical of alley houses. House located within potential historic district centered on Lexington Market, encompassing retail and wholesale commercial center of Baltimore, 1780-1950. Vacant and scheduled for demolition.

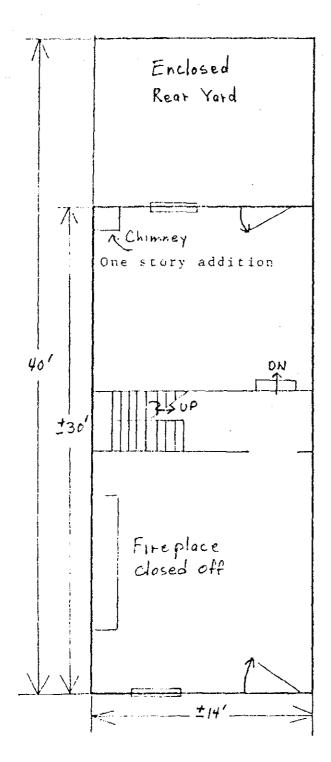
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